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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Francois Keys, 39, Stevens Point, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 36 months in prison for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine. Keys pleaded guilty to this charge on April 9, 2008.

Between June 2005 and June 2007, Keys and Nathan Miller distributed cocaine throughout the Stevens Point area. Miller was prosecuted by the United States and is currently serving a 27-month prison sentence for his role in the case.

The charges against Keys were the result of an investigation conducted by the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation - Narcotics Bureau, the Portage County Sheriff's Department, and the Stevens Point Police Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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